Good News For Homemakers

Halloween treats, Virginia style

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Halloween Treats-Virginia Style

The goblins will soon come calling so start planning your Halloween treats now. For endless possibilities of good nutritious things to eat, as well as to have fun, let's take a look at Virginia apple cider and pumpkins.

If you are worried about your children going out to get their treats, why not treat them at home with a special party? Invite party guests to come in their scary costumes and plan plenty of games and activities to make staying in as much fun as going door to door.

A special word of caution to all of you parents: Be sure that children who do go door to door trick or treating are well supervised and have good lighting, such as a good flashlight. It is always wise for parents to go with small children. Do not send them up someone's drive to a strange door. Go with them.

If you are looking now to get your treats in order for your trick-or-treaters, be sure that you plan nutritious treats. Apples, popcorn and peanuts are some of our best treats. I would suggest that you wash the apples carefully. Give them a good polish with tender loving care and put them in a plastic bag for the children. Roasted peanuts are also an excellent treat. These, too, can be parceled out into bags for children.

Popcorn, another nutritious treat, can be popped the day before or the day of Halloween and packaged separately in bags.

Another delicious treat for those children who might wish to come by and visit with you a few minutes is some fresh apple cider. This delicious drink is naturally sweet and is very good served hot or cold. October is one of our best months to shop for fresh, unpasteurized cider, usually found at orchards or roadside stands.

Pumpkins in all sizes and shapes are also available at many of the Virginia farms offering apples and cider.

For a different cold snack, why don't you make cidersicles. Fill small five-ounce paper cups with apple cider and partially freeze. Insert a wooden stick in each cup and freeze until firm. Peel away the paper cup to serve. This is a delicious, nutritious way to have a good fun snack.

Another fun snack that is sure to bring a lot of attention this fall is called Apple Giggles. Core Golden Delicious apples, leaving the bottom intact. Hollow out the apple flesh to make room for gelatin. Dissolve a three-ounce package of orange gelatin or your favorite flavor in one cup boiling water. Stir in one cup cold water. Makes a nice, firm gelatin mixture. Pour gelatin in apples and place in individual bowls to keep them upright until the gelatin is firm. Cut in wedges and serve. This is sure to bring the giggle sout of anyone who enjoys it.

Again, a word of caution. Be careful on Halloween night. Please supervise all small children. Be sure to check carefully their bags of treats when they return from trick-or-treating.

If you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call 352-5244 or write P.O. Box 488, Appomattox, VA 24522.

Have a good week!

Recipe of the Week

PUMPKIN BREAD PUDDING

1 cup milk
¾ cup sugar
2 eggs, lightly beaten
½ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup mashed canned pumpkin
2 cups stale bread crumbs
2 tablespoons brown sugar
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon

1. In medium bowl, mix milk, sugar, eggs, salt, vanilla and pumpkin until thoroughly blended. Stir in bread crumbs.
2. Pour into greased 1½ quart baking dish. Bake for 45 to 50 minutes in 350° oven.
3. About 10 minutes before pudding is done, mix brown sugar and cinnamon and sprinkle on surface of pudding. Return pudding to oven to finish baking.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS PREPARING for the upcoming Christmas Open House include (from left) Penny Mongold, committee co-chairman; Pauline Reeves, coordinator of Christmas booklet; and Margaret Ferguson, committee chairman. (Photo by Bill Sherrod)

Open House plans set

The Extension Homemakers are continuing to make preparations for Christmas Open House. This three-day event will be held on Nov. 3 - 5 from 9 to 5 each day in the District Extension Office Auditorium.

The public is cordially invited to view and purchase homemade Christmas crafts and gifts. Individuals will also have the opportunity to observe creative demonstrations by Extension Homemakers. The following is a time schedule of the demonstrations and who will be presenting them.

Thursday, November 3 -

9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. --Beaded Ornaments by Penny Mongold.

11:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. --Grapevine Wreaths by Pauline Reeves.

Friday, November 4 -

9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. -- Cross Stitch by Francis Wilson

11:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. -- Yarn Wreaths by Susie Galliher

2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. --Chair Bottoms by Katie Martin.

Saturday, November 5-

9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. -- Quilting by Wanda Lively.

11:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. -- Stain Glass Windows by Lillian Fleshman.

Don't forget to mark this event on your calendar.

Confederate soldier gets proper grave marker

More than 100 years ago William P. Gilbert, a Confederate soldier, returned to his home in Buckingham County, Va. after serving in the War Between The States. Military records indicate that William P. Gilbert served from 1862 to 1864 in Company E., 11th Virginia Infantry, CSA; that he was wounded at Mannasas in August 1862, and again wounded in May 1864 when he received a gunshot wound in his right foot.

His grave lay marked only by a natural stone until three brothers, Hermon F. Watson of Appomattox, Va., Joseph Bagby Watson of Sacramento, California and Robert L. Watson of Newport News, Va. decided to have the grave of their great-great Uncle William P. Gilbert properly identified by a military marker.

Recently, these brothers got together, and set out, with the usual heavy marble headstone, to locate the cemetery, and to place the marker. Fortunately, for the brothers, Police Chief James Ford of Appomattox was on hand to provide assistance. Also Mr. Watkins Abbitt Jr. and several forest rangers rendered assistance. The party knew that the old cemetery was near the county line separating Appomattox and Buckingham counties, near Holiday Lake, but the matter of approaching the cemetery was the puzzle. With the help of these citizens of Appomattox who furnished direction, they were able to reach the cemetery and set the marker in place to honor this Confederate soldier.

According to Buckingham County records, William P. Gilbert was born in Amherst County, Va., was single, and half brother to Joe Gilbert, with whom he lived. Relatives recalled that a sister, Elbinah ("Albina") (Gilbert) Bagby also lived in this home during her widowhood, along with her son, William Riley Bagby.

When William P. Gilbert died in 1886, he was buried in the family cemetery on the Gilbert estate, with only a natural flat stone marking his grave. On the natural stone was chisled: "WPG DEC Sep 10 1886."

Later, the property passed to the nephew, William Riley Bagby and wife, Nannie Sue Perrow. It was their children and grandchildren that kept alive the memory of the old Gilbert home, and the names of the family members buried in this cemetery, including the name of William P. Gilbert of the Confederacy.

MASAKI SEKI OF TOKOYO, JAPAN visited the second graders at the Appomattox Primary School on Thursday, October 13. Masako has been a guest in the home of Miss Claudine O'Brien. Masako talked to the children about the Japanese schools, foods, customs, holidays and language. The students were delighted to see a Japanese game played similar to Jacks and were intrigued with the demonstraton of Origami, the art of paper folding.

For local poets

Contest deadline nears

Entry deadline for the Appomattox Middle School and High School Student Poetry Contest, co-sponsored by American Federal Savings & Loan Bank and GFWC Appomattox Jr. Woman's Club, is Nov. 11.

This project is being sponsored to promote interest and involvement in creative writing by providing opportunities on various levels of competition. Here is a great opportunity for talented students to gain visibility be entering their creative poetry writing talents in competition.

Passbook Savings accounts totaling $150 from American Federal Savings & Loan will be offered to First through Third Place winners in each of the two grade levels.

Any interested student who has not yet received entry information, may obtain a list of contest rules from English teachers, Lauri Harwood 352-5950 or Nancy Goodman 352-7628, Co-Chairman of A.J.W.C. Arts Department.

Winners will be announced on Nov. 18, during "American Education Week".

Pamplin AARP meets, hears Babcock, Fratrick

The Pamplin Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons met on Tuesday, Oct. 18 at noon in the friendship hall of Pamplin United Methodist Church.

After enjoying lunch there was a brief meeting presided over by the president, Mr. Horace Coleman.

The guest speakers were Virginia Babcock, executive director of the Department of Social Services for Appomattox County and Virginia Fratrick, who is also affiliated with the Social Services in this area. Both of those ladies were very explicit in the operation and future plans of their department and the Central Virginia Commission on Aging.

Mrs. Blue's 4-H Club

Mrs. Blue's 4-H Club met in September, 1983. We filled out enrollment cards. Then we chose our officers.

Mr. Sweet explained that next month we would choose our projects for the year.

The meeting was fun.

Tina Martin
Reporter

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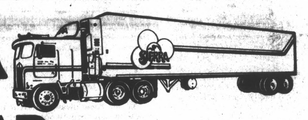

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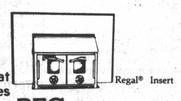

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Brookville slips by Raiders, 8-0

When it was over, Saturday night's game against Brookville counted as a loss against the Appomattox varsity Raiders' record.

But to the fans, team members, and coaches, the 8-0 loss to Brookville counted as a victory, at least spiritually, to a team which has been faced with adversity most of this season.

Brookville, a team which has devasted most of its Seminole District competitors this season, is ranked sixth in the state among Group A High School football teams.

Saturday night, the powerful Brookville machine met a much smaller Appomattox squad, and was unable to score until the fourth quarter when Bee receiver Craig White took a pass 30 yards into the Raider end zone.

That big play touchdown and the subsequent two-point conversion were the only points of the game.

The Raiders threatened to score in the second quarter but lost the ball on a fumble near the Brookville goal line.

"We are extremely proud of our young men for the way they played last Saturday night's football game," commented Raider Coach Gary Cuccio this Monday.

"With eight starters out, they played toe-to-toe with the number-six ranked team in the state. In the opinion of the coaches, we physically out-hit a much larger team," Cuccio noted.

Cuccio added that "for the way in which they've overcome adversity and played their hearts out, I personally am prouder of this team than any other since I've been at Appomattox."

"We hope we can continue the intensity of our play for the next two weeks," the coach said.

Quarterback Paul Johnson, back full speed after an injury sustained in the Buckingham game, completed five of 13 passes for 53 yards. Ricky Turner was the Raiders' leading rusher, carrying the ball nine times for 50 yards. Steve Hamlett ran the ball three times for 16 yards for Appomattox.

This Friday night, the Raiders will face off against Altavista for the final home game of the 1983 football season.

"Altavista has a much-improved football team," Cuccio said this week. "They beat Liberty and Jefferson Forest, and we feel they are a good team. But we believed our boys will be ready to play."

The game gets underway Friday night at 8 p.m.) at Bragg Stadium, behind Appomattox Middle School off Route 460.

Varsity gridders cited

Carl Banks, Ricky Turner, Ron Kelso and Russell Walton were named varsity "Players of the Week" for their efforts in Saturday night's football game against Brookville.

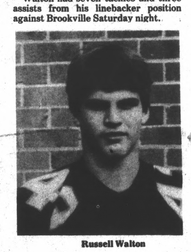
Banks, a defensive lineman, had 10 tackles and six assists against the Brookville team.

Turner, who plays in the offensive and defensive backfields, had seven tackles and one assist defensively, and carried the ball nine times for 50 yards on offense.

Kelso had four tackles and two assists, and caused two fumbles against the Bees on defense.

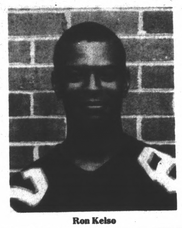
Walton had seven tackles and three assists from his linebacker position against Brookville Saturday night.

Carl Banks



Russell Walton

Ricky Turner



Ron Kelso

Toby Cunningham

Cunningham receives award

Hobert (Toby) Cunningham of Appomattox has been nominated as a recipient of a United States National Football Award, for his play on the 1982 jayvee Raider team.

As a USNFA winner, he is eligible for inclusion in the 1983 United States Achievement Academys National Awards Yearbook.

Cunningham gives credit for the award to Coach Howard Clabough and last year's junior varsity football team.

He is a student at Appomattox County High School, and plays guard for the varsity Raider football team.

Raiderettes split

The Raiderette varsity basketball team lost a hard-fought contest 49-45 to the team from Liberty Thursday night, after a 44-31 victory against Brookville Tuesday evening.

Against Brookville, the Raiderettes were in command from the outset, taking a 6-2 lead in the first quarter, and stretching that lead to 16-8 by the end of the first half.

Brookville played the Raiderettes close in the third quarter, scoring 10 points while holding Appomattox team to eight. In the fourth quarter, however, Appomattox exploded for 20 points while holding the Lady Bees to 13, to record the 44-31 victory.

Sandra Wilkins and Beverly Bennett scored in double figures for the Raiderettes, with 18 and 13 points, respectively. Nina Abbitt also scored well with eight points, Tammy Martin had three, and Sally Coleman had two points for the Raiderettes.

Leading rebounders were Kaye Brown with eight, Lisa Pannell with six, Sally Coleman and Nina Abbit with five each, and Sandra Watkins with four. Watkins also had five steals for the Raiderettes against Brookville.

Thursday's game saw the Raiderette battle a tough Liberty game to within one point of the lead with less than a minute to play, but the Appomattox bid fell short in the waning moments of play following a turnover and foul.

Liberty jumped out in front of the Raiderettes 16-8 in the first quarter, but the Appomattox team had reduced that lead to 28-25 by the end of the first half.

The third quarter saw both teams tighten down defensively, with Liberty outscoring the Raiderettes 9-7.

The final period of play saw the local team storm back to within one point of the lead with less than a minute to play. But, a miscue which led to a turnover, and a questionable foul call in the closing seconds of play proved more than the Raiderettes could overcome, and the upset was converted into a 49-45 Liberty win.

Sandra Watkins played "one of her better games this year," according to Raiderette coach Mary Tolley, scoring 25 points, collecting six rebounds and one steal and one assist.

Nina Abbitt came off the bench to record 10 points, four rebounds, two steals, and three assists., Lisa Pannell scored three points, had nine rebounds and two assists; Traci Moore scored two points, had five rebounds, one blocked shot and one assist; and Beverly Bennett scored two points, had two rebounds and three assists.

Tolley described the game as a "good team effort which should give us good confidence going into the final week of the season."

The Raiderettes were scheduled to play their final home game of the season Tuesday against Buckingham, after this issue of the Virginian deadline's. The team will end its regular season Thursday against Rustburg at Rustburg. The junior varsity game is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. and the varsity teams will play after the jayvee game at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Jayvees lose to Brookville

The Raider junior varsity football team lost its second game of the season Monday night to the jayvee team from Brookville, 21-18.

The game, originally scheduled for last Thursday, was postponed until Monday evening because of inclement weather.

Because the game was played after the Times-Virginian deadline, no additional information was available on the game for this week's paper.

However, the game will be covered in full, along with this week's junior varsity game against Altavista, in next week's (Nov. 2) issue of the newspaper.

Local man has trophy deer mount

JERRY VERNON OF BUCKINGHAM County shot this deer last Christmas, and it was named the second-highest scoring deer in the Eastern Region, and the third-highest scoring in the state at the recent trophy antler competition in Newport News. The 10-point buck scored 212 5/8. It was mounted by O'Brien Taxidermy of Appomattox.

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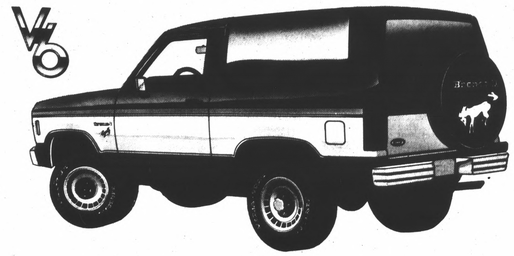

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